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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of: Alberte et al Serial No.: 09/854,122 Filed: May 10, 2001 For: <i>Transgenic Plants Incorporating Traits of Zostera Marina</i>	Examiner: Collins, Cynthia E. Group Art Unit: 1638 Docket No.: CEA-007.01
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on March 24, 2004. A Petition for a Two Month Extension of Time is filed concurrently herewith. Please amend the application as follows.